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Earth Day GreenUp registration now open

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (February 24, 2015) – The Woodlands Township is registering volunteers for the Earth Day GreenUp, a *Great American Cleanup event*, slated for Saturday, March 28, 2015. The community is participating in the nationwide stewardship project for the fifth consecutive year.

Neighborhoods, clubs, scouts, church groups, schools, families and individuals are invited to take part in the cleanup effort that targets trash on pathways, waterways and natural areas. “GreenUp volunteers make a difference,” says Lynne Aldrich, manager of Environmental Services Department for The Woodlands Township.

“Litter in open space preserves impact community aesthetics, affects property values and harms wildlife,” she explains.

Registration is available online at www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/greenup through March 21, 2015. A limited number of trash grabbers will be available for loan to groups that register on the website. Walk-up registration is also welcome on March 28 at the 8 a.m. check-in at a designated park in each village. All participants will receive gloves, trash bags, instructions and an assigned pick-up area at check-in.

The entire community is invited to the post pick-up party from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Northshore Park. Activities will include free face painting, booths and a concert. Pick-up participants will receive free pizza, snacks and soft drinks along with an event T-shirt, while supplies last. The general public may purchase food items.

Additional information:

- **Register on-line by March 21** at www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/greenup
- Saturday, March 28, 2015
 - **Check-in** at a designated park: 8 a.m. to 10—walk-ups welcome
 - **GreenUp**: 8:30 a.m. to 11:30
 - **Celebrate at Northshore Park**: 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The Woodlands Earth Day GreenUp is coordinated by The Woodlands Township Environmental Services Department with support from The Woodlands G.R.E.E.N., The Woodlands Development Company, Waste Management, H-E-B, Woodlands Joint Powers Agency and Frost Bank.

For more information about The Woodlands Earth Day GreenUp, please call 281-210-3800 or



visit www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/greenup.



Photo: Richard and Carol Stromatt capture the spirit of Earth Day GreenUp, joining the clean-up effort to pick up litter along pathways and waterways. Registration is currently underway for this year's event on Saturday, March 28, photography by Anita Wren.